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Comments:

Attorney Docket No. :	297912001911
Group Art Unit:	3738
Examiner:	P. Prebilic
Application Number:	09/858,035
Filing Date:	May 15, 2001
Inventors:	Edwin et al.
Title:	EXTERNALLY SUPPORTED GRAFT
Enclosure:	Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

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Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 09/858,035 First Named Applicant: Edwin
 Examiner: P. Prebilic Art Unit: 3738 Status of Application: Rejected

Tentative Participants:

(1) Todd W. Wight (2) Tarun J. Edwin
 (3) _____ (4) _____

Proposed Date of Interview: 2/23/04 Proposed Time: 2:00 (AM/PM)

Type of Interview Requested:

(1) Telephonic (2) Personal (3) Video Conference

Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: YES NO

If yes, provide brief description: _____

Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>Rej.</u>	<u>Cl. 41</u>	<u>USPN 5,968,091</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(2) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Continuation Sheet Attached

Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:

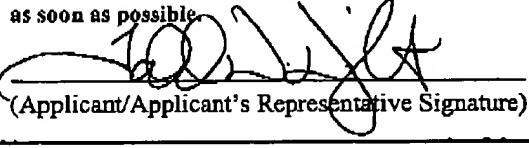
Will discuss rejections of claims in view of '091 patent and possible claim amendments.

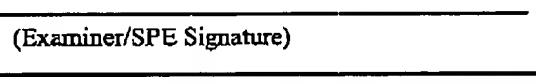
An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on _____.

NOTE:

This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP § 713.01).

This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.133(b)) as soon as possible.


 (Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature)


 (Examiner/SPE Signature)

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